

MILLS DIARY DEFENDS ILLICIT LOVE SAYS CHURCH MEMBERS ALSO GUILTY

Di Martini Gets Stay in His Fight Against Simpson

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SOMERVILLE, N. J., Oct. 14.—Several pages torn from an intimate diary kept by Mrs. Eleanor Mills, for which detectives have searched for several years, were found by an investigator today.

In this fragmentary record of her daily existence the slain choir singer staunchly defends her romance with the Rev. Edward W. Hall as the "finest, most holy event in a life of misery."

Mrs. Mills mentions several persons prominent in New Brunswick, whose conduct she cites as justification for her own illicit love.

Felt Danger Impending

Feeling a woman's premonition of pending danger, Mrs. Mills made this final entry in her diary on September 11, 1922, only three days before she and Dr. Hall were murdered:—

"I don't feel safe about Eddie and myself. I am afraid something may happen to us. He, manlike, laughs at my fears."

In another entry, Mrs. Mills expresses a wish to end the affair between Dr. Hall and herself. She declares:—

"I am taught it is wrong for a woman to take another woman's husband. Eddie insists I am not taking him from his wife. That it is he who is taking me, voluntarily."

"I want to believe as he says. I love him so. Sometimes I think I should give him up, but that is beyond my strength of will. We are so happy together, while neither of us, alone, is contented."

Not the Only Church Sinner

Seeking to justify her relations with Dr. Hall, Mrs. Mills, in another passage of the diary, soliloquizes thus:—

"I am not the only sinner in our church. Other women, wives of wealthy men, are having affairs. I see them daily. Eddie tells me what they are doing. They are rich I am poor. They sin for a wanton sex thrill. I am powerless under Eddie's influence. Ours is a pure, sanctified love."

"If my betters on the social plane choose illicit love, is my sin with Eddie wrong in the eyes of God? Eddie assures me by the logic of

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GOVERNOR ACCUSED

SEATTLE, WASH., Oct. 14 (By U. P.).—Accusing Governor Roland Hartley of violating his oath of office, four thousand citizens here have demanded the recall of the governor. Hartley was accused of using his office to further his own ends.

Bride's Midnight 'Yes' Brings Heir \$12,500,000

CHICAGO, Oct. 14 (By U. P.).—A trembling "yes" from Martha Marcusson, a pretty cloak model, made her boy friend, Pat F. O'Hara, a multi-millionaire.

Pat was sole heir to the \$12,500,000 estate of his foster mother, the late Mrs. Maude King of Kingsville, Texas, provided he married within six months.

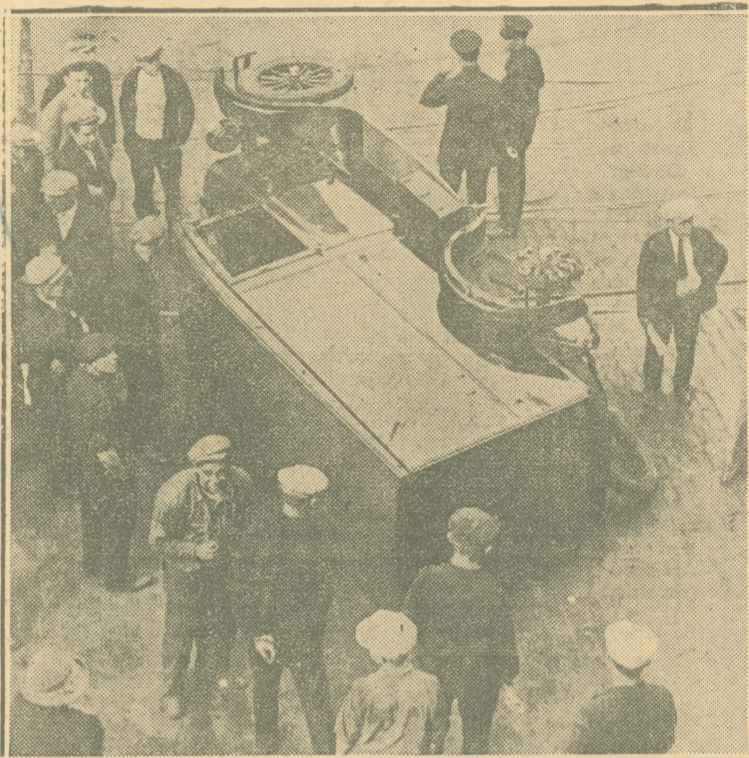
Several times Pat proposed to his girl friend. But Martha held back.

Almost desperate as he felt the wealth slipping, Pat proposed again while he and Martha were seated at a table in a Niles Center night club.

"Yes," consented Martha, sealing the fate of the fortune.

Then, with the aid of romantic traffic policemen, the climax

When Taxi Meets Truck



AS WHEN TAXI MEETS TRUCK. At least it happened at Sands and Jay Streets, Brooklyn, yesterday, as picture above shows. (Photo Graphic.)

Two Aviators Crash to Death Before Helpless Hundreds

PORT JEFFERSON, L. I., Oct. 14.—In full view of 200 passengers on a passing ferryboat, two reserve officers of the Army Air Service lost their lives when the plane in which they were returning from Boston to Mitchel Field dropped into the bay here last night.

Flying into fog, low clouds and a rainstorm, the aviators are believed to have lost their course and to have been seeking a landing place when the plane suddenly dived nose first into the water.

The pilot was thrown clear of wreckage and was picked up within five minutes, but efforts to revive him were fruitless. His companion was strapped in his seat in the plane and his body was not recovered for more than hour.

The two officers, both of them second lieutenants, were Henry R. Perra, of 34 Madison St., Taunton, Mass., and William H. Preston, Jr., of 665 Belmont St., Belmont, Mass. Lieut. Preston is survived by his wife. Lieut. Perra was not married.

The craft was already long overdue from Boston and flares and lights had been placed to guide the flyers in landing at Mitchel Field.

When the plane hovered in sight observers thought the aviators were experiencing trouble. Seemingly they were trying to make a landing on the beach. Passengers on the ferryboat were watching the circling plane when, without warning, its nose pointed toward the water and fell.

A government buoy tender and a motorboat went to its rescue. Lieut. Perra was found floating, face down, with a deep cut in his head. He never regained consciousness. Lieut. Preston was found dead, strapped in the car, in twenty-five feet of water.



Lieut. Henry R. Perra

Carpender Courts Muse; Chivalrously Stressing Justice for Mrs. Hall

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NEW BRUNSWICK, N. J., Oct. 14.—Henry de la Bruyere Carpender, one of the four indicted for the murders of Rev. Edward W. Hall and Mrs. Eleanor R. Mills, has turned to poetry during his confinement.

Hocking to Hike On 71st Birthday, Doing 71 Miles

James H. Hocking, president of the GRAPHIC Walking Club, and a writer on physical culture, will be 71 on Sunday; and, following his birthday custom, he plans to walk a mile for every year of his life.

Mr. Hocking expects to start from his home at 625 South Broadway, Yonkers, at dawn, and strike north to Tarrytown by the Saw Mill Valley Road. From there he will go through Briarcliff, Ossining, Peekskill, across the Bear Mountain Bridge and down the other side of the Hudson.

Fifty years ago Mr. Hocking began breaking amateur walking records, and he is still at it. Last year he walked seventy miles on his birthday in fifteen and one-half hours, giving an exhibition which few men half his age could approach.

In making his hike this year Mr. Hocking expects to subsist on a light diet again. Last year he ate four slices of raisin bread, one piece of raisin cake, drank a gallon of water and a quart of milk.

Surgeon Called For Mussolini

LONDON, Oct. 14 (By U. P.).—Dr. Ferdinand Sauerbruch, an eminent Bavarian surgeon, has been called by telegram to Rome to consult with other physicians concerning an operation on Premier Mussolini, according to a Daily Express dispatch from Geneva.

ST. PATRICK WEDDING

Miss Julia Elizabeth Albright, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Albright, Jr., of 47 East 65th St., was married to Bryant Nicholas Haliday in St. Patrick's Cathedral.

Affairs Worried Consul Who Was Killed by Fall

Financial difficulties and the death of his brother, Siragan, two months ago weighed heavily upon the mind of Hayozoun Hohannes Topokyan, 62, Persian consul-general in New York, just before he fell or jumped to his death from the seventeenth floor of the Yale Club in Vanderbilt Avenue, it was learned today.

Dudley P. Kohler, his close friend and attorney for fifteen years, scoffed at the idea of suicide. Topokyan was waiting to see Kohler when he fell to his death. He was not a member of the club. Topokyan, who lived in Morris Plains, N. J., is survived by his widow and 12-year-old son.

He was born in Sazaria, Turkey, a member of one of the oldest aristocratic families of Armenia, learned English at the American

To a New Brunswick friend, Carpender, who was class poet in college, has entrusted a sheaf of verse composed to ease the monotony of cell life. The first runs:

Is Justice Ever Done?

Is justice ever done? I ask,
Beneath the sun-swept skies;
Or shall we e'er be imprisoned,
With none to hear our cries?

Our kinsman slain, they asked of us
Our stewardship to tell;
Oh, how I wish their hands were clean—
Who make our lives a hell.

I do not plead for Henry now,
Much less for Will and me;
But this I ask: Oh, grant it true,
That Frances guarded be.

Her hands are clean and good and fine;

Why make her suffer so?
If they will only seek the truth,
The jury must say "no."

Reference Is to Stevens

The names mentioned in the



Mrs. Hall



H. Carpender

verse refer, of course, to Henry and Willie Stevens, and with particular chivalry to Frances Stevens Hall, who on November 30 goes on trial for the murders. Carpender relatives have been decided.

Mrs. Hall is at liberty in \$40,000 bail, but the three men are held for trial in the Somerset county jail in Somerville.

Carpender's turning to verse is not an unusual thing under the circumstances of prison life.

Psychologists who have followed the Hall-Mills case have expressed some surprise that other defend-

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